REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. A terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F.R 1.321(c) is included herewith in response to the nonstatutory double patenting rejection. Thus, the double patenting rejection is now moot. In as much as no other rejections of the claims were made of record, the present claims should be passed to allowance. At the very least, any subsequent action on the merits should be non-final.

If there is any additional fee associated with this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Jaina Chua at (408) 947 8200 ext 213.

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